MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property Name: (9217 Baltimore Boulevard) Proteus Bicycle & Inventory Number: PG:66-54			
Address: 9217 Baltimore Moulevard, College Park, Prince George's County			
Owner: Enterprise Leasing Company, 2 Research Place, Rockville, MD 20850			
Tax Parcel Number: E3, p 2309, 10 Tax Map Number: 25			
Project US 001: South Gate UM-College Park to Sunnyside Aven Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)			
Site visit by SHA Staff: no X yes Name: Jill Dowling Date: 8/1/98			
Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended _X			
Criteria A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G _X None			
Is property located within a historic district?: X no _ yes Name of District:			
Is district listed?: X no yes			
Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)			
Built circa 1950, Proteus Bicycle and Fitness, located at 9217 Baltimore Boulevard, occupies a simple rectangular single-story parged concrete block building. Characterized by a flat roof, large plate glass display windows, and an angled corner entrance, this structure is typical of the hasty and inexpensive commercial development of the area after 1940.			
The character and extent of US 1 development has evolved from the late 1940s, when a substantial influx of University students resulted in emergency building funds for the College Park area. The history of the University of Maryland describes the unpleasant aesthetic consequences of unplanned development on the school and the area: "Contributing to the crowded, disjointed atmosphere of the campus after the war was the spread of ugly urbanization reaching out, octopus-like from Washington. Nearby Bladensburg blossomed into a notorious gambling and prostitution center, factories and automobile agencies spread into the once-fashionable suburban villages of Riverdale and College Park, and woodlands turned into barren expanses of truck stops and filling stations. Desperately and vainly the University petitioned to save the charm of the once isolated town, but frequently its faculty and students			
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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW Eligibility recommended Criteria: _ A _ B C _ D Consideration _ A _ B _ C _ D _ E _ F _ G _ None			
Criteria: _A _B _ C _D Consideration _ M _ D _ C _ D _ E _ F _ G _ None			
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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date			
21/1/99			
Reviewer, NR Program Date			

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were only too eager to find quarters in the jerry-built houses nearby. Indeed, the University's huge construction program only added to the rawness." The local setting has continuously evolved with late twentieth century strip malls and franchises replacing the "truck stops and filling stations" described circa 1940.

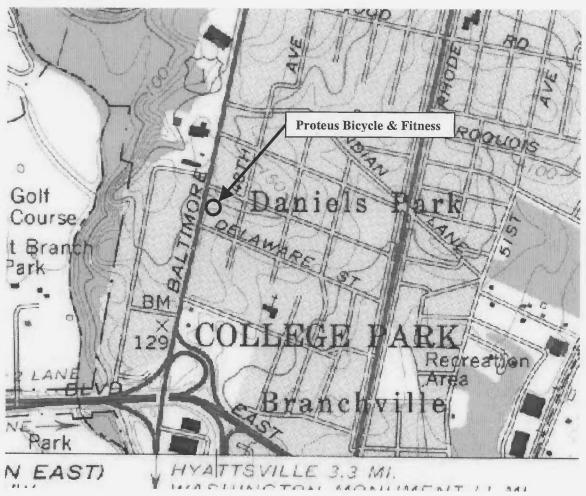
This simple concrete commercial structure is not eligible for the National Register. The resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.

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PRESERVATION VISION 2000; THE MARYLAND PLAN STATEWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXTS

1.	Geographic Region:		
	Eastern Shore	(all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)	
<u>X</u>	Western Shore	(Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles,	
		Prince George's and St. Mary's)	
	Piedmont	(Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll,	
	W. A. M. I. I.	Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)	
	Western Maryland	(Allegany, Garrett and Washington)	
II.	Chronological/Developmental Periods:		
	Rural Agrarian Intensification	A.D. 1680-1815	
	Agricultural-Industrial Transition	A.D. 1815-1870	
	Industrial/Urban Dominance	A.D. 1870-1930	
<u>X</u>	Modern Period	A.D. 1930- Present	
	Unknown Prehistoric		
	Unknown Historic		
IV.	Historic Period Themes:		
	Agriculture		
	Architecture, Landscape Architec	ture,	
	and Community Planning		
<u>X</u>	Economic (Commercial and Indu	strial)	
	Government/Law		
	Military		
	Religion		
	Social Educational/Cultural		
	Transportation		
V. R	esource Type:		
Categ	ory: Building		
Histor	ric environment: Suburban		
Histor	ric Function(s) and Use(s): Com	mercial	
Know	n Design Source: None		

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Proteus Bicycle & Fitness
9217 Baltimore Boulevard (US 1)
College Park
Beltsville Quadrangle





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